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ABSTRACT

This curriculum guide represents an interim revision of the twelfth-grade English Literature course which will be re-examined after the total Secondary English Programme is revised. It is planned for students who wish to survey the course and to encourage students to study more thoroughly the works of certain authors. The objectives of the course are presented, followed by the course outline, which includes a basic program as well as an enriched program. Prescribed textbooks and scale of issue are provided. The number of hours to be devoted to each period is suggested. (JF)

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FOREWORD

As in the previous English Literature 12 course, this revised course is planned for students who wish to survey English Literature. In addition, this revision is intended to encourage students to study more thoroughly the works of certain authors. To allow for this study, the former course has been altered and a number of additional texts provided. Furthermore, a social history replaces the background notes in Adventures in English Literature. To encourage precision in the use of terminology and to support individual student research, a dictionary of literary terms has been added.

The present anthology has been retained because no other available anthology differed substantially from the present one and because this is only an interim revision of English Literature 12. After the revision of the total Secondary English Programme, this course will be re-examined. A substantially different design for English Literature 12 may then be required.



OBJECTIVES

The objectives of this revised course are:

- 1. To enable students to develop the skills which are needed to read, understand, discuss and appreciate the literature of times other than their own.
- 2. To survey in chronological sequence the major figures of English literature from Anglo-Saxon times to World War I.
- 3. To study individual authors in relation to the times in which they lived.
- 4. To extend the student's knowledge of those writers and periods which appeal to him.
- 5. To give students some idea of our cultural heritage so that they can better understand themselves and their society.
- 6. To assist the student to see contemporary literature in perspective.



COURSE OUTLINE

A. Basic Programme

All students enrolled in Literature 12 will take the basic programme. It consists of:

- 1. Certain selections and appropriate biographical notes from <u>Adventures in</u> English Literature.
- 2. The England of Literature.
- 3. One play from each of the following pairs:
 - (a) Hamlet OR The Tempest
 - (b) She Stoops to Conquer OR School for Scandal
 - (c) Saint Joan OR Major Barbara

Note:

- (a) The basic programme indicated is a minimum programme only. A number of additional titles have been made available for enrichment purposes.
- (b) A Reader's Guide to Literary Terms has been provided to encourage precision in the use of terminology and to support individual student research.

In the following list of selections for study on the basic programme, all references are to the anthology with the exception of those marked *.

The Anglo-Saxon Period

Beowulf

The Medieval Period

Geoffrey Chaucer

- Prologue
- The Nun's Priest's Tale

Sir Thomas Malory

- Le Morte d'Arthur

The Elizabethan Age

Christopher Marlowe

- The Passionate Shepherd to His Love

Sir Walter Raleigh

- The Nymph's Reply to the Shepherd

Shakespeare

- Sonnets 18, 29, 55, 73,
- *Hamlet (Signet)

or

- *The Tempest (Signet)



The Elizabethan Age - Continued

Ben Jonson

- To Celia

The Noble NatureTo the Memory of My

Beloved Master William

Shakespeare

Francis Bacon

- Of Studies

- Of Marriage and Single

Life

The English Bible

- The Prodigal Son (Luke

15)

- But the Greatest of These is Charity (I Corinthians 13)

- Psalm 121

The Seventeenth Century

Cavalier Poets (exclude biographical details)

George Wither

- Shall I, Wasting in

Despair

Robert Herrick

- Counsel to Girls

John Suckling

- The Constant Lover

- Song from Aglaura

Richard Lovelace

- To Althea, from Prison

- To Lucasta, Going to

the Wars

John Donne

- Death

John Milton

- L'Allegro

Il PenserosoOn His Blindness

- On Shakespeare

- Paradise Lost (From

Book I)

Samuel Pepys

- The Diary of Samuel

Pepys

John Dryden

- An Essay on Dramatic

Poesy

The Eighteenth Century

Alexander Pope

- The Rape of the Lock

Jonathan Swift

- Gulliver's Travels: Voyage to Lilliput

Joseph Addison

- The Spectator

- Sir Roger at Church

James Boswell

- The Life of Samuel

Johnson

The Eighteenth Century - Continued

Oliver Goldsmith - The Deserted Village

*Goldsmith - "She Stoops to Conquer"

or) Bantam

*Sheridan - "School for Scandal")

Thomas Gray - Elegy Written in a Country Churchyard

William Blake - The Tiger

- The Little Black Boy

Robert Burns - Sweet Afton

- A Man's A Man for A'

That

To a MouseTo a Louse

The Romantic Age

William Wordsworth - Lines Written in Early

Spring

- The Tables Turned

- Composed Upon Westmin-

ster Bridge - London 1802

- The World Is Too Much

With Us

- Nuns Fret Not

 Lines Composed A Few Miles Above Tintern

Abbey

- My Heart Leaps Up

- Intimations of Immort-

ality

Samuel Coleridge - Rime of the Ancient

Mariner - Kubla Khan

Lord Byron - Sonnet on Chillon

The Prisoner of ChillonApostrophe to the Ocean

Percy Shelley - To Night

- The Cloud - To a Skylark

- Ode to the West Wind

- Ozymandias

John Keats - On First Looking Into

Chapman's Homer
- When I Have Fears

- Ode on a Grecian Urn



The Romantic Age - Continued

John Keats (continued) - Ode to a Nightingale

- The Eve of St. Agnes

The Victorian Age

Alfred Tennyson - The Lady of Shalott

- Ulysses

- Locksley Hall: A

Prophecy

Break, Break, BreakIn Memoriam: Proem; XXVII, LIV, CVI

- Crossing the Bar

Robert Browning - Song from Pippa Passes

- Home Thoughts, From

the Sea

- Home Thoughts, From

Abroad

- My Last Duchess

- Prospice

Matthew Arnold - Dover Beach

Thomas Hardy - Weathers

- Afterward

- The Darkling Thrush

- In Time of "The

Breaking of Nations"

*Bernard Shaw - *Saint Joan (Penguin)

or

- *Major Barbara (Penguin)

B. Enriched Programme

The enriched programme is for students who exhibit genuine interest in English literature and who have the ability and desire to study certain authors beyond the basic programme requirements.

Although the enriched programme should not be reserved for scholarship candidates only, it is essential that students planning to write the scholarship examination should pursue the enriched, as well as the basic programme. The scope of the enriched programme makes it essential that scholarship candidates begin preparation for the examination early in the term.

The enriched programme consists of a deeper study of at least two of the following. In order to encourage students to explore as widely as they can, particular selections in the enriched programme have not been specified.



Enriched Programme - Continued

- 1. Shakespeare
- 2. Milton
- 3. The Metaphysical Poets
- 4. Swift
- 5. Five Romantic Poets (Wordsworth, Coleridge, Byron, Keats, Shelley)
- 6. Browning and Tennyson

With the exception of enriched area 1 (Shakespeare), books have been prescribed for each of the enriched areas. It is possible that students may wish to supplement their study of the enriched areas they select, by using other sources in addition to these prescribed books. It will be essential for students pursuing Shakespeare as an enriched area to read several other works in addition to the two plays prescribed for the basic programme.

PRESCRIBED TEXTS AND SCALE OF ISSUE

"A" Issue

- Inglis, Stauffer, Larsen, ADVENTURES IN ENGLISH LITERATURE (Gage)
- 2. Sheridan, SCHOOL FOR SCANDAL) single volume (Bantam) Goldsmith, SHE STOOPS TO CONQUER)
- 3. ENGLAND OF LITERATURE (Gage)
- 4. Beckson, Ganz, A READER'S GUIDE TO LITERARY TERMS (Doubleday)
 (Beckson, Ganz, A READER'S GUIDE TO LITERARY
 TERMS is to be used by the students
 throughout the course as it is needed, but
 not studied for examination purposes.)
- "E" Issue (either or both titles may be ordered up to 100% of enrolment)
- 1. Shakespeare, THE TEMPEST (Signet)
- 2. Shakespeare, HAMLET (Signet)
- "E" Issue (either or both titles may be ordered up to 100% of enrolment)
- 1. Shaw, SAINT JOAN (Penguin)
- 2. Shaw, MAJOR BARBARA (Penguin)
- "E" Issue (50% of enrolment)
- Frost, ROMANTIC AND VICTORIAN POETRY English Masterpieces, Vol. 6 (Prentice-Hall)
- "E" Issue (30% of enrolment)
- 1. Swift, GULLIVER'S TRAVELS AND OTHER WRITINGS (Bantam)
- 2. Dalglish, EIGHT METAPHYSICAL POETS Poetry Bookshelf (Bellhaven)
- 3. Mack, MILTON English Masterpieces, Vol. 4 (Prentice-Hall)

TIME ALLOTMENT

The course is designed to cover approximately 120 hours. It is expected that administrators in timetabling Literature 12 will keep this recommendation in mind.

The following division is suggested as a guide:

| Introduction & Anglo-Saxon Period 5 | hours | | |
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| Medieval Period | hours | | |
| Elizabethan Period | hours | | |
| Seventeenth Century 15 | hours | | |
| Eighteenth Century | hours | | |
| Romantic Period | hours | | |
| Victorian Period | | | |

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